stood at Rs. 84719 crores and Rs. 55506 crores respectively.

(c) The present data reporting system does not yield information in the manner asked for.

Import of horses for breeding purposes

1151. SHRI DHARAM CHANDER PRASHANT:
SHRI SURESH KALMADI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to stop the import of horses for breeding purpose; and

(b) if not, what is the justification for continuing the import of horses for breeding purpose while the Indian horse breeding industry has come of age?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Import of stallions/broodmares for breeding purposes is allowed by registered stud farms on a limited scale so as to improve the quality of thoroughbred horses produced in the country. Stoppage of imports will hamper improvement of stock.

CBI report regarding bogus draft advances by the Punjab and Sind Bank

1152. SHRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the CBI has submitted its report regarding the bogus draft advances cases of the Punjab and Sind Bank branch office, Mota Singh Nagar, Jalandhar (Punjab);

(b) if so, whether in the report major penalty has been recommended against the Zonal Manager, Amritsar;

(c) if so, whether Government have considered the recommendation and taken any decision thereon;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) if not, what are the reasons for the delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) The Hon'ble Member is perhaps referring to the case registered by the CBI relating to bogus truck advances made at the Mota Singh Nagar (Jalandhar) branch of Punjab & Sind Bank. The bank has reported that it has received the CBI's report in this case.

(b) to (e) Punjab & Sind Bank has reported that in so far as the then Zonal Manager, Amritsar, is concerned, the report of the CBI was received by the bank very recently. The matter is under examination of the bank for further necessary action.

closure of textile mill

1153. SHRI GHULAM RASOOL MATTO:
SHRI S. W. DHABE:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of textile mills in the country including the Empress mill at Nagpur in Maharashtra are facing closure;

(b) what is the number of workers affected by such closures;

(c) whether any steps have been taken for the creation of rehabilitation fund for the welfare of the affected workers;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) whether there is any second thought on the question of Government's policy not to take over sick textile units in view of the prevailing situation and undue advantage taken by the employers resulting in large scale unemployment?